

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

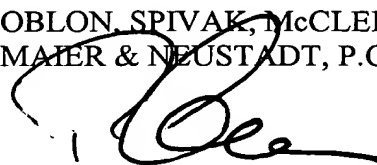
New claims 27-51 are supported throughout the specification and by both the originally filed and canceled claims. See, for example, the embodiments at specification pages 7-9, particularly the bottom of page 8, supporting the performance characteristic limitation in new claim 27.

In this regard, new claim 27 describes a transparent glazing that meets the objects of the present invention by preventing the visible formation of condensation and frosting for at least three minutes upon rapid exposure to room temperature and humidity from a closed refrigerated environment at -28°C. As the Examiner is no doubt aware, the doors of, e.g., refrigerated display cases commonly found in convenience stores are repeatedly opened and closed when a customer purchases a product. It is important that the door of this refrigerated display case remain clear and not become obscured for the next customer. The present invention addresses this problem by providing a transparent glazing that can perform in such a situation by remaining free of visible condensation and frosting even while experiencing rapid changes between drastically different temperature/humidity environments.

The prior art applied against the previously pending claims do not suggest or disclose a transparent glazing having the characteristics necessary to be capable of meeting the requirements of the presently claimed transparent glazing, and for this reason applicants respectfully request that the presently pending claims be passed to Issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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